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Material)	Docket No: GP-303397

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DECLARATION OF PEI-CHUNG WANG UNDER 37 CFR 1.132

1. I am a co-inventor of the invention described and claimed in the subject patent application.

2. I am the sole inventor of the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent 6,836,948, titled "Method of Joining a Sheet Metal Part to a Metal Tube."

3. I am a co-inventor of the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent 6,694,597, titled "Method for Riveting Metal Members."

4. I have a B.S. degree in Metallurgical and Materials Engineering (1976) from National Cheng-Kung University, Taiwan; a M.S. degree in Materials Science from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (1979); and a Ph.D. degree in Metallurgical and Materials Engineering (1984) from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. I started work at the General Motors Research and Development Center in 1984 and have held different positions over the succeeding years through the present date. These positions include Senior Research Scientist, Staff Research Scientist, Senior Staff Research Scientist, and GM Technical Fellow (present position). During this period I have conducted extensive research and development work on mechanical fastening and welding. This work has led to more than thirty technical publications and several patents.

5. I have reviewed the disclosure of U.S. Patent 6,836,948. Any invention disclosed but not claimed in U.S. Patent 6,836,948 was derived from me, a co-inventor of this patent application, and is thus not the invention "by another."

6. I have reviewed the disclosure of U.S. Patent 6,694,597. Any invention disclosed but not claimed in U.S. Patent 6,694,597 was derived from me, a co-inventor of this patent application, and is thus not the invention "by another."

I further declare that all statements made above of my own knowledge are true, that all statements made above on information and belief are believed to be true, and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under title 18 United States Code section 1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,



Pei-Chung Wang

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